

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, the National Association of Professional Martial Artists is celebrating Martial Arts Day on October 16, 2004, to unite the millions of children and adults who participate in the martial arts; and

WHEREAS, Martial Arts Day seeks to introduce the values of self control, self discipline, personal defense and physical fitness to all; and

WHEREAS, martial arts provides a powerful foundation for emotional development and success skills that last a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the participation in martial arts builds strength, character, focus, flexibility and coordination while enhancing performance in other sports, in the workplace, at home and in school; and

WHEREAS, martial arts enhances self-esteem, goal setting abilities, anger management and the skills of non-violent conflict resolution in people of all ages, helping them to become more productive and healthy people;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 16, 2004, to be

MARTIAL ARTS DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-first day of September in the year of our Lord two-thousand and four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE